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SUBJ: REQUEST FOR CONSULAR PIT POSITIONS

1. UK CONSTITUENT POSTS PROCESS OVER TWO-THIRDS (EDINBURGH THREE-FOURTHS) OF THEIR ANNUAL TOTAL OF NONIMMIGRANT VISA ISSUANCES IN THE SECOND-HALF OF EACH FISCAL YEAR PRIMARILY MARCH THROUGH JUNE, AND ARE STILL EXPERIENCING THE SAME STEADY INCREASES AS LAST YEAR. NEITHER THE WORLD ENERGY CRISIS NOR THE PRESENT UNSETTLED UK LABOR DISPUTES HAVE AFFECTED VISA WORKLOADS. (DESPITE THE WORLD ENERGY CRISIS, USTS STILL EXPECTS APPROXIMATELY 500,00 UK VISITORS TO TRAVEL TO THE U.S. THIS YEAR.) BOTH BELFAST AND EDINBURGH NEED ONE LOCAL CLERK TO AUGMENT THEIR SMALL VISA STAFFS DURING THEIR PEAK VISA SEASONS WHICH BEGIN IN EARLY MARCH. LONDON WILL NEED FOUR VISA CLERKS BEGINNING NOW TO HANDLE THEIR PEAK WORKLOAD WHICH IS REMAINING AT THE SAME HIGH LEVEL AS LAST YEAR, AND ONE CLERK EACH FOR THE PASSPORT AND CONSULAR SERVICE UNITS.

2. DEPT. IS REQUESTED AUTHORIZE: A) ONE PIT POSITION FOR BELFAST FOR 210 DAYS BEGINNING MARCH 1 THROUGH SEPT. 30; B) ONE PIT POSITION FOR EDINBURGH FOR 120 DAYS BEGINNING MARCH 1 THROUGH JUNE 30; AND C) SIX PIT POSITIONS FOR LONDON FOR 210 DAYS EACH BEGINNING UNCLASSIFIED UNCLASSIFIED

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